

**REMARKS**

In the Office action mailed on May 7, 2004, claims 1–16 are rejected. Claims 1 and 9 are provisionally rejected based on obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1 and 18 of copending Application No. 09/737,108 (*Copending Application*). Claims 1–16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2001/0036834 to Das et al. (“*Das*”). In addition, the Action objects to the drawings. Applicant traverses the rejections and objections, amends the drawings and specification, and submits the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer and Affidavit of Gregory D. Troxel under 37 CFR 1.131. ✓

Applicants submit that the amendments to the specification and drawing satisfy the objection and request that the objection be withdrawn.

Applicant traverses the double patenting rejection. However, in order to move prosecution forward, Applicant submits the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer. The *Copending Application* and the present application are commonly owned and have the same inventorship.

**The Claimed Invention Was Invented Prior to the Priority Date of *Das*:**

The Action rejects claims 1–16 under 35 USC § 102(b) over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2001/0036834, filed on March 2, 2001. The application was filed on December 14, 2000, prior to the filing of *Das*. Therefore, *Das* cannot be used as a § 102(b) reference in relation to the application.

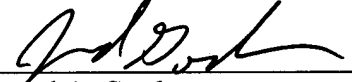
The Action also cites the language of 35 USC 102(e) as the basis for the § 102 rejection of the claims. Applicants traverse the § 102(e) rejection without addressing the merits of the Action’s assertion that *Das* discloses each and every element of the rejected claims. For a published application to apply as a reference under § 102(e), the published application must be entitled to a filing date that is “before the invention by the applicant for patent.” Applicants

submit that they invented the claimed subject matter prior to the filing of the earliest priority document to which *Das* claims the benefit. *Das* claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/186,910, filed March 3, 2000. Applicants submit that the enclosed Affidavit of Gregory D. Troxel under 37 CFR 1.131 and software source code attached thereto demonstrate that the subject matter of independent claims 1 and 9 was both conceived of and reduced to practice prior to March 3, 2000. In light of the above, Applicants request reconsideration of the claims and withdrawal of the §102 rejections.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response other than as reflected on the enclosed Fee Transmittal. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-1945, under Order No. BBNT-P01-107 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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In re Patent Application of:  
Troxel et al.

Application No.: 09/736807

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For: DELIVERING MESSAGES TO A NODE AT A  
FOREIGN NETWORK



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**AFFIDAVIT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.131**

I, Gregory D. Troxel, do hereby declare as follows:

1. I am one of the inventors of the subject matter claimed and described in the above referenced patent application.
2. I, with my coinventor, conceived of and reduced to practice the subject matter of the pending claims prior to March 3, 2000, the asserted priority date of the subject matter described in U.S. Patent Application 09/798,468 to Das et al.
3. The attached code, entered into the code archive system of Assignee, BBNT Solutions LLC, prior to March 3, 2000, illustrates the relevant portions of a computer program as described in claims 9-16 that carries out the methods described in claims 1-8. The code illustrates one embodiment of the invention and is not intended to narrow the scope of the claims. The code has not been altered from its archived state other than to remove the comments contained therein.
4. In particular, the attached code includes the following functions and procedures:

- a) `process_localBindingRequest`, running on a first router, receives a network layer address of a first node (having a different home subnetwork than the first router) on the first router's link. The procedure installs a local binding between the first router and the first node.
- b) `process_mn_notification`, running, on the first node, observes the network layer addresses included in the headers of processed data packets. If the procedure detects packets intended for a second node (a first remote node) on a second non-home-subnetwork link, the procedure initiates the sending of the network layer address of the first node and the network layer address of the first router to the first remote node as a remote binding request.
- c) `process_remoteBindingRequest`, running on the first remote node, receives the remote binding request sent from the first node and installs a remote binding on the first remote node between the first remote node and the first node. The installation of a remote binding places an entry in the first remote node's kernel routing table linking the network layer address of the first node to a tunnel to the network layer address of first router.
- d) `in_gif.c`, running on the first router, examines received packets by calling `in_gif_input` to determine whether a received packet was received via a tunnel, intended to be forwarded to the first node. If `in_gif_input` detects such a packet, `in_gif.c` detunnels the packet using the `m_adj` function and forwards the packet to the first node using `ip_forward` based upon the link layer address stored in the first router's kernel routing table, which was installed by `process_localBindingRequest`.

5. I assert that all statements made of my own knowledge are true, and that all

statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. I also understand that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. § 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

September 22, 2007

Dated

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## process\_localBindingRequest

```
process_localBindingRequest (struct packet packet) {

    struct interface_info *ip = packet.interface;
    struct mip_lbnd_request *lbndreq =
        (struct mip_lbnd_request *)&packet.raw->m;

    struct binding *bp;
    struct binding *flooded;
    struct mip_lbnd_reply *lbndrply;
    struct msg_info msginfo;

    msginfo.local_if = ip;
    msginfo.remote_if = setup_peer_info(packet.sender,
                                         packet.sender_haddr);

    GET_TIME(&cur_time);

    if(lbndreq->lifetime == 0) {
        debug("    Got a local binding cancel msg from: %s",
              inet_ntoa(lbndreq->sender));
        cancel_binding(GRANTED_LOCAL_BINDING, packet.sender,
                       CANCEL_EXPIRE);
        return;
    }

    debug("    Got a local binding request from: %s",
          inet_ntoa(lbndreq->sender));

    make_localBindingReply(ip, lbndreq, &msginfo.pkt);
    lbndrply = (struct mip_lbnd_reply *)&msginfo.pkt->m;
    if(!lbndrply->errors) {
        bp = grant_localBinding(&packet, lbndrply->lifetime);
        install_binding(bp);
    }
    send_localBindingReply((void*)&msginfo);

    free_amis_packet(msginfo.pkt, "msginfo_msg");
    free_peerinfo(msginfo.remote_if, "peer");
}
```

**mn\_notification**

```

void process_mn_notification(struct in_addr *dst_addr,
                             u_int16_t count)
{
    struct in_addr all_brdcst = {0}, our_brdcst = {0};
    struct in_addr our_subnets = {0}, our_netmask = {0};
    struct in_addr dst_net = {0};
    struct in_addr home_addr;
    struct iaddr dstaddr;
    struct interface_info *ip;
    struct binding *lb, *rb;

    if(!accepting_notifications)
        return;

    for(ip = interfaces; ip; ip=ip->next) {
        if(ntohl(ip->primary_address.s_addr) ==
           ntohl(dst_addr->s_addr))
            return;
    }

    if(ntohl(dst_addr->s_addr) == ntohl(home_agent.s_addr))
        return;

    if(IN_MULTICAST(ntohl(dst_addr->s_addr)))
        return;

    inet_aton("255.255.255.255", &all_brdcst);
    inet_aton(piaddr(notif_ip->subnet->broadcast), &our_brdcst);
    if((ntohl(dst_addr->s_addr) == ntohl(all_brdcst.s_addr)) ||
       (ntohl(dst_addr->s_addr) == ntohl(our_brdcst.s_addr)))
        return;

    if(me.protocol_subnets.len != 0) {
        inet_aton(piaddr(me.protocol_subnets), &our_subnets);
        inet_aton(piaddr(me.protocol_netmask), &our_netmask);
        dst_net.s_addr = (dst_addr->s_addr & our_netmask.s_addr);
        if(ntohl(dst_net.s_addr) != ntohl(our_subnets.s_addr))
            return;
    }

    debug("Notification for dst: %s", inet_ntoa(*dst_addr));

    dstaddr.len = sizeof(dst_addr);
    memcpy(&dstaddr.iabuf, dst_addr, dstaddr.len);
    rb = find_binding(ACQUIRED_REMOTE_BINDING, dstaddr);
    if(rb) {
        GET_TIME(&cur_time);
        rb->ai->last_notification = cur_time;
    }
    else
        state_acquire_addrb(notif_ip, dstaddr);
}

```

## process\_remoteBindingRequest

```

void process_remoteBindingRequest (struct packet packet) {

    struct interface_info *ip = packet.interface;
    struct mip_rbind_request *rbndreq =
        (struct mip_rbind_request *)&packet.raw->m;

    struct binding *bp;
    struct binding *flooded;
    struct mip_rbind_reply *rbndrply;
    struct msg_info msginfo;

    msginfo.local_if = ip;
    msginfo.remote_if = setup_peer_info(packet.sender,
                                         packet.sender_haddr);

    GET_TIME(&cur_time);
    if(rbndreq->lifetime == 0) {
        debug("    Got a remote binding cancel msg from: %s",
            inet_ntoa(rbndreq->sender));
        cancel_binding(GRANTED_REMOTE_BINDING, packet.sender,
            CANCEL_EXPIRE);
        return;
    }

    debug("    Got a remote binding request from: %s",
        inet_ntoa(rbndreq->sender));

    make_remoteBindingReply(ip, rbndreq, &msginfo.pkt);
    rbndrply = (struct mip_rbind_reply *)&msginfo.pkt->m;
    if(!rbndrply->errors) {
        bp = grant_remoteBinding(&packet, rbndrply->lifetime);
        install_binding(bp);
    }
    send_remoteBindingReply((void*)&msginfo);

    free_amis_packet(msginfo.pkt, "msginfo_msg");
    free_peerinfo(msginfo.remote_if, "peer");
}

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# in\_gif.c

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 */

#ifdef __FreeBSD__
#include "opt_mrouting.h"
#if __FreeBSD__ >= 3
#include "opt_inet.h"
#endif
#endif

#include <sys/param.h>
#include <sys/system.h>
#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <sys/sockio.h>
#include <sys/mbuf.h>
#include <sys/errno.h>
#if !defined(__FreeBSD__) || __FreeBSD__ < 3
#include <sys/ioctl.h>
#endif
#include <sys/protosw.h>

#include <net/if.h>
#include <net/route.h>
#include <net/if_gif.h>

#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <netinet/in_system.h>

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#include <netinet/ip.h>
#include <netinet/ip_var.h>
#include <netinet/in_gif.h>
#include <netinet/ip_ecn.h>

#ifdef INET6
#include <netinet/ip6.h>
#endif

#ifdef MROUTING
#include <netinet/ip_mroute.h>
#endif

#include <net/if_gif.h>

#ifdef __NetBSD__
#include <machine/stdarg.h>
#endif

int
in_gif_output(ifp, family, m, rt)
    struct ifnet *ifp;
    int family;
    struct mbuf *m;
    struct rtentry *rt;
{
    register struct gif_softc *sc = (struct gif_softc*)ifp;
    struct sockaddr_in *dst = (struct sockaddr_in *)&sc->gif_ro.ro_dst;
    struct sockaddr_in *sin_src = (struct sockaddr_in *)&sc->gif_psrc;
    struct sockaddr_in *sin_dst = (struct sockaddr_in *)&sc->gif_pdst;
    struct ip iphdr;
    int proto, error;
    u_int8_t tos;

    if (sin_src == NULL || sin_dst == NULL ||
        sin_src->sin_family != AF_INET ||
        sin_dst->sin_family != AF_INET) {
        m_freem(m);
        return EAFNOSUPPORT;
    }

    switch (family) {
#ifdef INET
    case AF_INET:
        {
            struct ip *ip;

            proto = IPPROTO_IPV4;
            if (m->m_len < sizeof(*ip)) {
                m = m_pullup(m, sizeof(*ip));
                if (!m)
                    return ENOBUFS;
            }
            ip = mtod(m, struct ip *);
            tos = ip->ip_tos;
            break;

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    }
#endif
#ifdef INET6
    case AF_INET6:
    {
        struct ip6_hdr *ip6;
        proto = IPPROTO_IPV6;
        if (m->m_len < sizeof(*ip6)) {
            m = m_pullup(m, sizeof(*ip6));
            if (!m)
                return ENOBUFS;
        }
        ip6 = mtod(m, struct ip6_hdr *);
        tos = (ntohl(ip6->ip6_flow) >> 20) & 0xff;
        break;
    }
#endif
    default:
#ifdef DIAGNOSTIC
        printf("in_gif_output: warning: unknown family %d passed\n",
            family);
#endif
    m_freem(m);
    return EAFNOSUPPORT;
}

bzero(&iphdr, sizeof(iphdr));
iphdr.ip_src = sin_src->sin_addr;
if (ifp->if_flags & IFF_LINK0) {
    if (sin_dst->sin_addr.s_addr != INADDR_ANY)
        iphdr.ip_dst = sin_dst->sin_addr;
    else if (rt) {
        iphdr.ip_dst = ((struct sockaddr_in *)
            (rt->rt_gateway))->sin_addr;
    } else {
        m_freem(m);
        return ENETUNREACH;
    }
} else {
    if (sin_dst->sin_addr.s_addr != INADDR_ANY)
        iphdr.ip_dst = sin_dst->sin_addr;
    else {
        m_freem(m);
        return ENETUNREACH;
    }
}
iphdr.ip_p = proto;

iphdr.ip_ttl = GIF_TTL;
iphdr.ip_len = m->m_pkthdr.len + sizeof(struct ip);
if (ifp->if_flags & IFF_LINK1)
    ip_ecn_ingress(ECN_ALLOWED, &iphdr.ip_tos, &tos);

M_PREPEND(m, sizeof(struct ip), M_DONTWAIT);
if (m && m->m_len < sizeof(struct ip))

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        m = m_pullup(m, sizeof(struct ip));
    if (m == NULL) {
        printf("ENOBUFS in in_gif_output %d\n", __LINE__);
        return ENOBUFS;
    }

    *(mtod(m, struct ip *)) = iphdr;

    if (dst->sin_family != sin_dst->sin_family ||
        dst->sin_addr.s_addr != sin_dst->sin_addr.s_addr) {

        dst->sin_family = sin_dst->sin_family;
        dst->sin_len = sizeof(struct sockaddr_in);
        dst->sin_addr = sin_dst->sin_addr;
        if (sc->gif_ro.ro_rt) {
            RTFREE(sc->gif_ro.ro_rt);
            sc->gif_ro.ro_rt = NULL;
        }
    }

    #if 0
        sc->gif_if.if_mtu = GIF_MTU;
    #endif
}

    if (sc->gif_ro.ro_rt == NULL) {
        rtalloc(&sc->gif_ro);
        if (sc->gif_ro.ro_rt == NULL) {
            m_freem(m);
            return ENETUNREACH;
        }
    }

    #if 0
        ifp->if_mtu = sc->gif_ro.ro_rt->rt_ifp->if_mtu
            - sizeof(struct ip);
    #endif
}

#ifdef IPSEC
    m->m_pkthdr.rcvif = NULL;
#endif
    error = ip_output(m, 0, &sc->gif_ro, 0, 0);
    return(error);
}

void
#ifdef __NetBSD__
in_gif_input(m, off, proto)
    struct mbuf *m;
    int off;
    int proto;
{
#else
#ifdef __STDC__
in_gif_input(struct mbuf *m, ...)
#else
in_gif_input(m, va_alist)
    struct mbuf *m;
    va_dcl
#endif
#endif

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{
    int off, proto;
#endif
    struct gif_softc *sc;
    struct ifnet *gifp = NULL;
    struct ip *ip;
    int i, af;
#ifdef __NetBSD__
    va_list ap;
#endif
    u_int8_t otos;

#ifdef __NetBSD__
    va_start(ap, m);
    off = va_arg(ap, int);
    proto = va_arg(ap, int);
    va_end(ap);
#endif

    ip = mtod(m, struct ip *);

#define satosin(sa) ((struct sockaddr_in *) (sa))
    for (i = 0, sc = gif; i < ngif; i++, sc++) {
        if (sc->gif_psrc == NULL
            || sc->gif_pdst == NULL
            || sc->gif_psrc->sa_family != AF_INET
            || sc->gif_pdst->sa_family != AF_INET) {
            continue;
        }

        if ((sc->gif_if.if_flags & IFF_LINK0)
            && satosin(sc->gif_psrc)->sin_addr.s_addr == ip->ip_dst.s_addr
            && satosin(sc->gif_pdst)->sin_addr.s_addr == INADDR_ANY) {
            gifp = &sc->gif_if;
            continue;
        }

        if (satosin(sc->gif_psrc)->sin_addr.s_addr == ip->ip_dst.s_addr
            && satosin(sc->gif_pdst)->sin_addr.s_addr == ip->ip_src.s_addr)
        {
            gifp = &sc->gif_if;
            break;
        }
    }

    if (gifp == NULL) {
#ifdef MROUTING

        if (proto == IPPROTO_IPV4) {
            ipip_input(m, off, proto);
            return;
        }
#endif
    }

    m_freem(m);
    ipstat.ips_nogif++;
    return;

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    }

    otos = ip->ip_tos;
    m_adj(m, off);

    switch (proto) {
#ifdef INET
    case IPPROTO_IPV4:
    {
        struct ip *ip;
        af = AF_INET;
        if (m->m_len < sizeof(*ip)) {
            m = m_pullup(m, sizeof(*ip));
            if (!m)
                return;
        }
        ip = mtod(m, struct ip *);
        if (gifp->if_flags & IFF_LINK1)
            ip_ecn_egress(ECN_ALLOWED, &otos, &ip->ip_tos);
        break;
    }
#endif
#ifdef INET6
    case IPPROTO_IPV6:
    {
        struct ip6_hdr *ip6;
        u_int8_t itos;
        af = AF_INET6;
        if (m->m_len < sizeof(*ip6)) {
            m = m_pullup(m, sizeof(*ip6));
            if (!m)
                return;
        }
        ip6 = mtod(m, struct ip6_hdr *);
        itos = (ntohl(ip6->ip6_flow) >> 20) & 0xff;
        if (gifp->if_flags & IFF_LINK1)
            ip_ecn_egress(ECN_ALLOWED, &otos, &itos);
        ip6->ip6_flow &= ~htonl(0xff << 20);
        ip6->ip6_flow |= htonl((u_int32_t)itos << 20);
        break;
    }
#endif
    default:
        ipstat.ips_nogif++;
        m_freem(m);
        return;
    }
    gif_input(m, af, gifp);
    return;
}

```

**acquire\_remoteBinding**

```

struct binding *acquire_remoteBinding(struct interface_info *ip,
                                      struct peer_info *peer)
{
    struct binding *bp;
    struct mip_rbind_request *rbndreq;
    struct msginfo *msginfo = new_msginfo("message");

    assert(!(find_binding(ACQUIRED_REMOTE_BINDING, peer->addr)));

    msginfo->local_if = ip;
    msginfo->remote_if = peer;

    bp = create_remoteBinding(ip, peer);
    add_binding(bp);

    if(addr_eq(ip->subnet->home_agent, peer->addr)) {
        bp->characteristics |= PRIMARY;
        bp->ai->cb = remote_binding_callback;
    }
    else {
        bp->characteristics |= ADDITIONAL;
        bp->ai->add_remote_state |= S_ACQUIRE_ADDRB;
        bp->ai->cb = add_remote_binding_callback;
    }

    make_remoteBindingRequest(ip, peer, &msginfo->pkt);
    bp->ai->msginfo = msginfo;

    rbndreq = (struct mip_rbind_request *)&msginfo->pkt->m;
    bp->lifetime = rbndreq->lifetime;
    set_bindingTimers(bp);

    GET_TIME(&cur_time);
    bp->ai->binding_attempted = cur_time;
    bp->characteristics |= IN_PROCESS;
    send_remoteBindingRequest((void *)msginfo);

    return(bp);
}

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```
void state_acquire_addrb(struct interface_info *ip,
                        struct iaddr peer_addr)
{
    struct peer_info *peer;
    struct hardware peer_haddr = {0};

    peer = setup_peer_info(peer_addr,
                           peer_haddr);

    acquire_remoteBinding(ip, peer);
}
```

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

The attached sheet(s) of drawings includes changes to Fig. 24.

Attachment:      Replacement sheet